# SD Department of Agriculture and Natural Resources

### **INVASIVE SPECIES WATCH LIST**

#### **Odontites vernus**

## RED BARTSIA

Stems are erect, branching

Grows 6 to 12 inches tall

Clasping narrow leaves about 1.25 inches in length

Stem and leaves are densely hairy

Pinkish and red flowers from June to September

Spike-like clusters of flowers

Coarse hairs cover the seeds



**FLOWER** 



**PLANT** 

## **IMPACTS**

Serious concern in hay ground and pastures

Decreases pasture capacity and livestock productivity

Not grazed by cattle

Form dense stands

**Competes with native plant species** 



**Infestation** 

IF YOU FIND THIS PLANT PLEASE REPORT IT TO YOUR LOCAL COUNTY WEED AND PEST SUPERVISOR OR THE SOUTH DAKOTA DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND NATURAL RESOURCES (605) 773-3796 OR ONLINE AT <a href="https://www.eddmaps.org/mrwc">www.eddmaps.org/mrwc</a>.